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**PATENT**

**Docket No.** 015916-304

**Applicant:** Swanson

**Serial No.:** 10/727,096

**Filing Date:** December 2, 2003

**Title:** Surgical Methods And Apparatus For Stimulating Tissue

**Group Art Unit:** 3739

**Examiner:** Roane

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Mail Stop Amendment**

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION**

**DATED AUGUST 8, 2005**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 8, 2005, time for response to which has been extended by the enclosed petition to December 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.